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STATEMENT OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS

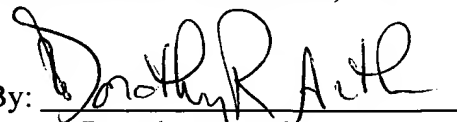
Dear Sir:

This is to apprise the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office that small entity status pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.27 is entitled to be asserted for the above-identified patent, filed May 30, 2001; Inventors: Oystein Ihle et al.

Respectfully submitted,

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